

Talent-filled People!

Here's why God gives us gifts and abilities – that we may be equipped to serve others. The start of a new year offers us an opportune time to assess those gifts and see how we can use them for God's glory and the good of His people. The motivation to do this comes from the same One Who gave the gifts! Just as He was motivated by love for us to give us, not just our gifts, but His greatest gift, His Son, so we are motivated by love for Him to serve those He calls us to serve.

Mobile Giving

Mobile Giving is an easy way to fulfill your need to give to the Lord. Using your smart phone, **text CROSSANDCROWN to 73256** or **click on Access ACS on St. Paul's webpage.**

Sunday Morning Bible Classes

We will continue our discussion on *This We Believe* in the Fireside Room. The Adult Christ Light Bible Study will meet in the Heritage Room. Classes begin at **9:25 am.**

Bible 101: Hope Grows

As you get to know God better, your hope will grow! This class will help you get to know God's heart and his Word better. Everyone is welcome to join for any class. This also is the class to attend if you are interested in membership at St. Paul's. This week we will look at the Lord's Supper. Bible 101 meets on **Sundays from 9:15-10:15** in the front of the church.

Family Visits with Pastor Nelson

Pastor Nelson would love to continue to meet with families from St. Paul's to get to know them better and learn how he can best serve as the Family Pastor. Please consider signing up for a 45-minute visit on the sign-up sheet in the church entryway.

JLMLC Custodial Position Opening

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is seeking applications for a part-time custodian at Jesus Loves Me Learning Center. This position is for 15 hours per week at \$11.75 per hour. Applications will be accepted through Mon. Feb. 18th. Stop in the church office for an application and position description. Contact Chris Selvey, Facility Supervisor, at 507-469-0550 or facility@stpaulsnorthmankato.com with questions.

Missing

The Altar Guild is missing a set of green vase liners. If you took flowers home, please return the liners at your earliest convenience. Thanks.

Kwik Trip Bonus

Limited time! - Kwik Trip scrip gift cards will earn 15% for St. Paul's (plus an additional 5% on in-store purchases). Stop by the office and take advantage of this great offer!

Win a \$20 scrip gift card!!!

There's no better time to get started (or continue) with St. Paul's scrip program! From February 3rd to March 3rd for every restaurant purchase/order you make, we're giving you a chance to win a \$20 scrip gift card. We have scrip on hand for about 20 restaurants in the Mankato area. Stop by and purchase/order your scrip today!

Jesus Loves Me Learning Center (JLMLC)

In this coming week, we are learning about The Great Catch of Fish and remember the Bible verse that says faith comes from hearing the message in the Word of God. In our chapel time this past week, we learned that our helmet of salvation is the Word of God and God helps us with any problems we might have. We will study deer, read Clifford books, have fun with Nursery Rhymes, learn about pitch, read about Vincent Van Gogh and the Sunflowers, and use scarves and ribbons in the gym.

We are here at 507 345 7707 or lingjlm@hickorytech.net if you have child care needs.

Call 507 508 2041 or email lingjlm@hickorytech.net to get more information about openings or volunteering or anything you might want to be involved in!!

RSLs Basketball Game

Thursday, February 7th @ St. James: Boys B – 4:00 pm; Boys A – 5:00 pm.

February 9th Knights Invitational

The Risen Savior Basketball Tournament is on Feb. 9th and we are looking for volunteers to work concessions, admissions, hall monitors and clean up. This is a wonderful event for RSLs and we could not put it on without the help of volunteers. Please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Contact Michelle Dressel - mdressel@rslsmn.com – 507-469-8419 or Sara Stewart - 507-779-9411 - s.g.stewart@hotmail.com with questions.

2019 MLC 24th Annual Volleyball Tournament

Come play volleyball and get acquainted with the MLC ministerial training school and its students--as well as the facilities! Men's: Sat., March 23rd--Contact Jesse Becker 507-519-0107. Women's: Sat., March 30th--Contact Kristan Becker 608-879-0671.

Deadline to sign up is 2/15/19.

Mid-week Lenten Meals

It's not too early to sign up to serve for a mid-week Lenten meal. The season of Lent begins on **March 6th**. These meals are a great way for your group to serve the St. Paul's extended family and raise money for your group through the freewill offerings. Contact the office to reserve a date you want to serve.

Thrivent

Did you know that as a Thrivent member you are entitled to use \$500 a year *per member* towards an event of your choice? This is free money that they give you to help with ministry events. We are looking to plan this year's events and if you happen to be a Thrivent member and would like to donate your Thrivent Seed Money to the ministries here at St. Paul', please let the church secretaries know.

MLC Wind Symphony

The Martin Luther College Wind Symphony together with members of the Wisconsin Luther College Band will present, *Whatever Things: A Sacred Concert for Wind Band* on **Sunday, February 17th at 3:00 PM** in the Chapel of the Christ. Please join us for this concert of praise!